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PROSPECTS OF THE COTTON TRADE.

A noteworthy feature of the Board of Trade
Returns for the month of November, says the
"Globe", is the continued expansion in manu-
factured cotton. In other directions, with the
one exception of coal, there is a marked falling
off in our export trade. It is true that the
returns issued by the Department on Saturday
last still show increases over the figures for a
corresponding period in 1906, but with the
exceptions mentioned, these increases com-
pare very badly with those of the earlier months
of the year. Conjointly with the issue of the
above figures comes the intelligence from
Ireland that owing to the "slump" in the linen
trade short time will be worked in all the
spinning mills in Belfast and district. As a
matter of fact, there can be no doubt that the
increased figures for cotton exports by no means
indicate the true state of affairs in the cotton in-
dustry. For some time past there have been
marked indications that the "boom" of the
last two and a half years has reached its
zenith. So far, indeed, as weaving is con-
cerned the zenith is long past, and Lanca-
shire manufacturers are already face to face
with bad times. The demand from India,
China, and Japan have fallen off, largely owing
to the over production of the period of pros-
perity when countless new factories sprang up
like mushrooms, while with the decreased
demands for goods comes a prospect of a
shortage in the cotton crop. The spinning
industry has not as yet felt the pinch, but the
pinch is coming. It will be noticed that the
imports of raw material show a remarkable
decrease, and in this decrease is to be found a
sign of the times. The Continental demands
for yarn, which have been such a source of
prosperity to the Lancashire spinners are
rapidly subsiding, and it is to be feared that the
next two years may see a very serious crisis
in the cotton trade.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Semiramis Hotel.

The first small dance of the season at the Semiramis Hotel, Cairo, will be held to-morrow evening, commencing at 10 p.m.

Suez Post Office.

Mr. Paul Garofalo has arrived at Suez, and taken over his post, as Post-Master, succeeding Mr. Harrington who has been transferred to Port Said.

Austrian Lloyd Almanac.

We have received from the Austrian Lloyd Company, Trieste, a most attractively and artistically designed almanac for the year 1908.

Egyptian Mail S.S. Co.

The Egyptian Mail Steamship Company has made arrangements for booking in advance passengers' baggage from London to Alexandria and Cairo.

Al Hayat Sanatorium.

The Al Hayat orchestra, composed of fifteen first class musicians, has arrived at Helouan and will play on the terrace of the Sanatorium from 3.30 to 6 p.m. every Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Bubonic Plague.

Two more patients suffering from plague have been admitted to hospital during the last 24 hours, and the number under treatment is at present 19. 1229 cases have been under treatment throughout Egypt from the 1st January to the 16th December, and 892 of these have proved fatal.

Societe des Publications Egyptiennes.

Schuler's Library, at Alexandria, has received a consignment of an interesting English work on architecture, entitled "Flats, Urban Houses, and Cottage Homes," (Hodder and Stoughton, publishers; London). This volume is beautifully illustrated and would be of use to architects in this country for its very complete plans of the latest internal arrangements of London and Parisian flats.

Sirdar's Motor-Car.

A new motor-car has been completed for Sir Francis Wingate, Sirdar of Egypt, by the New Arrol-Johnston Company. The engine, of 45 h.p. nominally, but capable of higher power, is cased in sheet metal to be sandproof. The wheels are of cast steel, with discs of sheet steel bolted on to each side, and are fitted with solid tyres. Paddle blades are bolted to the driving wheels for assistance in driving through soft sand. The rubber tyres have narrower threads than usual to permit of sinking in the sand, as the wide, flat tyres first used in sand tended to churn up a bank in front, but the new tyre sinks to the hard. This is the second car built by the New Arrol-Johnston Company for the Sirdar.

Sailors and Soldiers' Institute.

The fancy sale and Christmas tree of the Sailors and Soldiers' Institute will be held at the Institute next Friday, commencing at 3 p.m. Entrance to the Sale will be P.T. 3 and to the Christmas tree, which will include 360 prizes, P.T. 5. The following ladies have kindly consented to take stalls:—Miss Hilda Lang Anderson, Mrs. Neville Borton, Miss Garnett Botfield, Miss Gertrude Carver, Miss Beatrice Davis, Miss Mary Davis, Mrs. Stanley Gordon, The Hon. Mrs. Hopkinson, Mrs. P.H. Kingham, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. Hicks Paul, Mrs. Benwell-Rees, Mrs. Algernon Ward, and others. By kind permission of Colonel R.C.C. Cox and Officers, the String Band of the 2nd Batt. Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers will play during the afternoon.

The Rise in House Rent.

The excessive and continuous rise in house rent in Alexandria and Cairo, in the face of an acute financial crisis, is one of the economic mysteries of Egypt. The same sort of thing has of late been going on at Naples, where the inhabitants have adopted a drastic method of solving the difficulty. Naples is in the throes of something very closely resembling civil war owing to the rise of house-rent, which has been artificially put up by a syndicate of builders. Nearly 6,000 people have refused not only to pay their rent, but even to leave their houses, and the number of these passive resisters is so large that it is impossible to dislodge them. Now the authorities have decided to evict them by force. The garrison has been reinforced by 800 soldiers, 1,000 carabinieri, and 250 policemen, to meet all possible emergencies.

German Levant Line.

Towards nine p.m. on Friday week the German Levant Line's S.S. "Milos," of Hamburg, was signalled in distress and on five miles westward of Ushant Light. The Maritime Prefecture immediately ordered Torpedo-boat 170 to proceed to the assistance of the "Milos," and three steamers and several fishing-boats also went to help her. Eight men belonging to the crew were still on board, but twelve others had taken to a boat, and nothing has since been seen of them. On the following day, north of Molène, the Hull steamer "Douro" took the "Milos" in tow, with the object of bringing her to Brest; but after encountering serious difficulties was compelled to relinquish the attempt, the tow-ropes having been burned. It is feared that the "Milos," before she can be towed into safety, will run upon the rocks and become a total wreck. Lifeboats have gone in search of the twelve missing sailors, but it is feared that they have perished.

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AN INTERESTING COMPARISON.

LORD CROMER'S POLICY.

(Gazette's Special Service).

LONDON, Tuesday.

The former Roman Deputy, Signor Ostini, in the last number of the "Rivista Coloniale," makes an interesting comparison between England in Egypt and Italy in Erythrea. He holds up Lord Cromer's administration to the admiration of his own countrymen, stating that Lord Cromer's foremost aim was to gain the confidence of the native population, and he eulogised his great public works in the protection of the small native proprietor against the foreign capitalist, and his financial policy. He further remarks that in less than a quarter of a century Egypt has passed from bankruptcy to a state of prosperity such as no other purely agricultural country of the old world has attained. He proceeds to point out to public opinion that Italy still regards the Red Sea colony with suspicion, due to the errors and disasters of the past. Yet, under the ministrations of the late Governor Martini, Erythrea had made considerable progress, and would have made more if they had been backed up at home.

SUPREME CONSULAR COURT.

REX v. CANNON.

The last case to be heard at the Alexandria sessions of the Supreme Consular Court came on for hearing this morning. It is of interest as it is the first case of the trial of an Englishman for the murder of another Englishman that has come before the Consular Court within living memory. Mr. Whitworth was counsel for the accused, Thomas Cannon, who has been in Hadra Prison since the 24th October, when he was arrested by Mr. Blattner, the Superintendent of the Port City Police at Alexandria. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. Preston, the Crown Prosecutor for Egypt.

The crime was committed on board a petroleum steamer, the "Baku Standard" at Alexandria at about 1 a.m. on the 24th October last. Cannon cut the throat of a fellow fireman, named Henry King, who on his return to England was to have married. The Captain and several officers of the S.S. "Baku Standard" arrived on the 10th inst. from England by the S.S. "Heliopolis" in order to attend the trial. Several firemen belonging to the same steamer have been detained at the Sailors' Home at Alexandria since the crime in order to give evidence before the Court.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS.

Miss Janet Lewis has returned for her second winter in Cairo, and is already exhibiting a few of her charming sketches in the salon of M. Zola, the well-known photographer, in Sharia Manakh. Miss Lewis has had the advantage of a thorough training in art, for after her early education at South Kensington she spent three years of real hard work in Paris, where she studied under Jean Paul Laurens the late Benjamin Constant and other well known masters. She has studied in Holland, and has done good work in the best studios, and has exhibited in the Paris salon. Her sketches are but few in number, but they show real signs of cleverness and originality. They are spontaneous in expression and good in coloring, and Miss Lewis has a very happy faculty for reproducing those clean, soft effects which cast so much glamour over Egyptian scenes. Very noticeable in this respect is the sketch of the Sheikh's Tomb at Old Cairo, altogether an admirable bit of work, and the clean fresh treatment of the river bank of Ghizeh is also well worth mention. The series entitled "The Wayside Restaurant," "Pickle shop," and "Drapers shop" show more ambitious composition, but they are very happily conceived and are executed with nice judgment of detail and colour. The most important of these sketches on show is that of a street in Old Cairo, somewhat sombre in tone, but very able in its treatment. Miss Lewis is collecting material for a small exhibition in Piccadilly next spring, but prices are attached to her sketches now on view which should do much to make them popular. Miss Lewis is also a miniature painter of considerable success and is prepared to undertake portraits from photographs or personal sittings while she is in Cairo.

NILE VALLEY (NEW) CO.'S OPERATIONS.

Messrs. Lake and Currie, the company's engineers, report as follows:—Development—"The D" level south has advanced 5 ft., making a total distance of 103 ft. from the main shaft crosscut. Driving in this level was stopped on 3rd October. Since C.S. 2 has been started at a distance of 45 ft. north from No. 1 shaft, and at the end of the month had been sunk to a depth of 20 ft. below "C" level. The reef carries an average value of 4.1 dwts per ton over an average width of 40.5 ins. (The portion of this vein sunk during the present month shows an improvement in both the value and width of the reef.) Stopping—The ore stopped during the month amounted to 710.9 tons, this being obtained from the C and D blocks. Milling—During the month the 10-stamp mill treated 1,100 tons of ore, which yielded 299.446 ozs fine gold, exclusive of 2 tons of concentrates, having an assay value of 28 dwts per ton.

THE ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

LORD CROMER ELECTED FELLOW.

(Gazette's Special Service).

LONDON, Tuesday.

Lord Cromer is to be elected a Fellow of the Zoological Society at the meeting to be held on Thursday.

CAIRO OPERA SEASON.

L'AFRICAIN.

"L'Africain" was the first intimation of failure in the company, not so much from Mlle Robertson's unfortunate errors in the septet, but from the apparent inability of anyone to put her right, and save the situation. Mlle Robertson—one cannot escape from the fact—sang very badly, and was hopelessly out of tune, but she should never have had the part, and she gave the impression that she disliked it. She should not be judged by it.

I cannot agree with the opinion of those who praised Mme Magne and M. Soubeyran; true, Mme Magne was as correct as usual, but except for a moment or two in the second act, she was by no means impressive; M. Soubeyran, in his more forceful moments displayed compass and tone, but in the 'piano' passages he was practically inaudible; no doubt a critic in one of the first five rows may have heard and esteemed certain shades of expression inaudible to those in the last rows of the stalls. Certainly some of the praises I read earned a seat in high places! M. Valette was admirable in the 'Bedade' and deserved his encore, but for the rest he was less impressive than usual. M. Coiglio, as Don Pedro, was praised, but he seemed to me, I must confess it—timeless, crude, and devoid of vigour. I notice that his good acting is mentioned; perhaps the characteristics I mentioned suit the part of the nervous commander of an ill-fated expedition. The chorus was again really excellent, instinct with decision, force, and accuracy, far more so than the orchestra; and some of the voices seemed unusually good. Indeed it seems as though the chorus this year will prove the main stay of the operatic season; except for M. Valette and Mlle Genevois (in her special parts) the promise is not phenomenal—good, correct as a rule, free from the harrowing discords of last year, but distinctly provincial. I anticipate Don Juan and, Lohengrin with mixed feelings. Of course 'L'Africain' is not the opera one would choose to show off the best points of a company; it is long pretensions, and uninteresting except for a few places, and even these seem inappropriate; it is distinctly Mid-Victorian and to carry it off the soloists must be super-excellent. Still we can take comfort in that the 'toughest pieces de resistance' are being worked off early; we have better things in prospect.

TRAVIATA.

Yet another excellent piece of work was "Traviata," and in many respects far more suited to the company, than the pieces they have so far given, (though it is not the first performance of "Traviata" by this company). Mlle Genevois has a most charming voice, clear, flexible, rather full for a light soprano, with certain very telling intonations in the middle register. Her singing in the second act was all that could be hoped for, Mr. Flachet, when roused to efforts of passion or delicacy, is also most pleasing. At his best he should be really delightful: he was not always definite, and seemed to hesitate over his effects at times. M. Gorins, as the father, sang with great truth but rather too much sustained vigour. The chorus was as before, unusually good. What a relief it is to see nice costumes; "talou rouge," periwigs and all the accessories are each an improvement on the Mid-Victorian costume now again adopted in "Traviata."

EGYPTIAN COMPANIES UNDER ENGLISH LAW.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE." Sir,—The Supreme British Court in Egypt having decided that the retention of share certificates by the Bourse and Banking Company from shareholders who refused any but "clean" certificates was an illegal act, and the Committee of the Bourse, having by a retrospective resolution, refused settlement on all but these illegal certificates, an interesting question arises whether this Committee have in any way made themselves liable for their complaisance. Offering you my congratulations on your successful efforts to vindicate English law against foreign directors and to bell the cat.

Yours, &c.,
A. H. B.

Alexandria, December 16.

EGYPTIAN CONSTRUCTIONS LIMITED.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE." Dear Sir,—It has been brought to my notice that in a recent issue you stated I was a Director of the Egyptian Constructions, I beg to inform you that this is incorrect.

Yours faithfully,
MONTAGU SUMMERS.

Cairo, December 16.

[We only stated that Mr. Montagu Summers was one of the original directors of the Company, which was correct. Ed. E. G.]

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EGYPTIAN POLITICS.

NATIONALISM AND JUSTICE.

The recent Press Case at Cairo has had a deplorable effect on Europeans in Egypt, as the decision of the Court was generally recognised to have not been free from political influences. The latest issue of the "African World" contains an instructive analysis of the case by a Cairo correspondent, from which we extract the following:—

Justice was dominated by political passion, the judge being a Nationalist, while the accused journalists were Syrians and Copts well known as ardent Anglophiles, and therefore hated by the more fanatical of the Egyptian Nationalists. Not only was the sentence severe, but it afforded an opportunity for rejoicings on the part of the Nationalists, who gave a banquet in honour of the judge, at which function, I am reliably informed, remarkable toasts were drunk to the overthrow of the Occupation! Hence the Nationalists Press, actuated by the same hatred and the same feelings of joy, took advantage of the occasion to publish the text of the judgment 'in extenso,' as well as a French translation thereof, which was designedly inaccurate.

The above-mentioned facts show a deplorable state of affairs. First, the liberty of the Press, which according to Lord Cromer, is in Egypt "a guarantee that no abuse of authority shall pass unnoticed," has been rudely shaken by a judgment which will render henceforth impossible the publication of any criticism upon, or information unfavourable to, public functionaries—a state of things that approaches to the Oriental conception of freedom of conscience and public opinion.

These journalists did not merely seek to incriminate a police official. By mentioning in particular they endeavoured to draw public attention to certain abuses that were suspected. But, as I have already said, the principal evil is not the technical wrongs and errors committed by the Pressmen. Generous principles are more to be considered: the liberty of the Press and the liberty of native justice. In this connection it may be permissible to quote the Comte de Collato, a doctor of laws, who has devoted a pamphlet to the case:—

"The first quality of a people that aspires to self-government is to know how to render justice even to its adversaries. For the working of all other branches of the public administration the Occupation is in reality responsible. The law courts are autonomous. Therein three natives freely exercise, according to their consciences, full power as to the lives and property of their fellow-countrymen. These tribunals, therefore, constitute a permanent attempt at self-government. If the Egyptians show themselves incapable of rendering justice without prejudice, how shall they claim the right to levy and disburse taxes, to regulate the franchise, to administer the property of the State, etc.?"

It is quite certain that since this affair mistrust of the Egyptian magistracy has penetrated into the European colonies. We have evidence to show that the foreign diplomatic agents have informed their respective Governments concerning this new difficulty which has suddenly sprung up in the way of Reform of the Capitulations in Egypt. More substantial guarantees will be demanded by the colonies for the abandonment of their penal immunity. The unknown factor in the Reform will not be the police alone. The introduction—proposed by Lord Cromer—of a Habeas Corpus Act into the penal legislation as to Europeans in Egypt seems no longer sufficient to guarantee the colonies against abuse of power by politician judges. And the net result of the affair is to postpone the coming of self-government in Egypt, a postponement for which the Nationalists are entirely responsible.

PRO CALABRIA.

THIS EVENING'S BENEFIT.

As our readers are aware the performance of the "Geisha" by the Lirica Lilliputian troupe is for the benefit of the victims of the recent Calabrian earthquakes, and will be given under the patronage of the Governor of Alexandria and the Consul General of Italy. That the theatre will be crowded is assured by the bookings, which already nearly fill the theatre, and we would join with the Committee in asking those ladies who will be present not to wear large hats. The troupe consists of children from 8 to 17 years of age and a large hat may well prevent anyone seeing anything at all.

CAIRO'S NEW BREWERY.

The plant of the brewery at Shubra, belonging to the British Beer Breweries (Egypt) Limited, is now installed and brewing will begin in about fortnight. Mr. DeSenn, the Director of the Banque du Caire, has joined the board of directors of this company. Mr. Gerald Girdwood, the managing Director of the Company, informs us that the future prospects of the company are all that can be desired and that the shares are saleable, a number having been sold in Cairo on Friday last for cash. The directors of the company get no fees or salaries and will get none until the shareholders are paid a dividend, as they have so much confidence in the future of this concern.

GOLD RETURNS.

The imports of gold last week totalled L.E. 191,886, and the exports L.E. 4,710; both these totals include Post Office specie.

LORD CROMER TESTIMONIAL FUND.

APPROVAL OF SCHOLARSHIP.

In response to the circular, dated 11th inst., issued by the Committee of the Lord Cromer Testimonial Fund, which appeared in our issue of the 13th, the public meeting was held by the courteous permission of the British Club at their commodious premises in the Boulevard de Ramleh, at 4 p.m. yesterday, Mr. R.J. Moss in the chair and the full Committee, namely, Messrs. H. P. Kingham, V.F. Naggiar, Judge Lionel Sanders and W.T. Smith, being present.

There was a fair attendance of the British Community, including the Consul-General, Mr. E.B. Gould, I.S.O. Messrs. P.W. Carver, W.P. Chataway, J.E. Cornish, C.M.G., J.P. Jones, Hickie, Moffat, H.B.C. and F.W. Moss, etc., etc. Admiral Blomfield, G.B. Williams, W.F. Sarjeant, Ambrose Ralli, K. and P. Birley, were, unfortunately unable to attend the meeting.

The minutes of the last Meeting, held on the 9th inst., at the Union Club, having been read and approved and notes from Messrs. Chataway, Kingham, and Lias, the Headmaster of the Victoria College, having also been read and appreciated, it was decided to adopt Judge Sanders' proposal that the testimonial should take the form of an annual prize or scholarship, to be competed for by the pupils of Victoria College, irrespective of nationality, to be drawn up on lines to be agreed upon later, after consultation with the Headmaster. Mr. J. P. Jones, on behalf of Messrs. Chorem Benachi and Co., informed the meeting of Mr. Benachi's generous offer to make a handsome donation provided the amount raised be sufficient to do full justice to the prize or scholarship.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman of Committee, duly acknowledged by him, closed the proceedings. As already stated we need not too strongly impress upon our fellow subjects the desirability of making their subscriptions at an early date.

Mr. Moss requests us to state that any Britisher who has not received the circular of the 11th inst., will obtain full information on applying at the offices of Messrs. R. J. Moss and Co. or on sending his postal address to Mr. Moss.

CAIRO WATER COMMISSION.

Now that it is practically an understood thing that the special Water Commission, appointed by the Government to report upon the water of the Rod el Farag wells, have submitted a favourable report to the Authorities, a contemporary proceeds, as indeed it might be expected to proceed, to attempt to destroy confidence in the finding of the Commission by delating upon the dread loss of hair which will follow the continued drinking of these waters.

Indeed the whole thing, Commission, report and all is apparently looked upon by the journal in question as a colossal farce, designed by the Government in order to throw dust in the eyes of the public, for it affirms that the Government do not wish to change the water for two reasons; "the microbes that are found in the Nile waters, and the present financial embarrassment," and it further points out that "both reasons are groundless, for the microbes can be avoided by filtration, and the Government can open credits from its reserve funds."

Really these two last points are important and it is to be hoped that the Government will only make note of them for future reference.

It was quite to be expected, that, should the report prove to be of a favourable nature, there would be many wiseacres ready and willing to prove that the report was false, but criticism of such a weak and pointless nature was hardly anticipated.

HELOUAN RACES.

By kind permission of Colonel D.A. Macfarlane and Officers, the band of the King's Own Scottish Borderers will perform the following programme of Music at the Helouan Sporting Skye Meeting to be held on the 20th inst.

March—El Capitan—Souza.
Polonaise—Chopin.
Selection—The Orchid—Chopin.
Humoresque—Dvorak.
Selection—The Merry Widow—Lehar.
Valse Lente—Amoureuse—Berger.
Selection—The Belle of New York—Kerker.
Two Steps—Arva Wansa—Moret.
Intermezzo—Love in Idleness—Macbeth.
Regimental March—Khedivial Anthem, God Save the King.
A.J. WILSON, Bandmaster.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Moss liner "Menes" sailed from Liverpool on Saturday last, and is due here about the 28th inst., with passengers, mails and general cargo.

The Moss liner "Phile" sailed this morning for Liverpool, with general cargo including 6,140 bales of cotton.

The Moss liner "Rameses" arrived this morning from Liverpool via Gibraltar, Algiers and Malta with passengers, mails and general cargo.

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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Lord and Lady Cromer have been staying last week with the Earl and Countess of Northbrook who entertained a party at St. Leonards. Their other guests included: the Marquis and Marchioness of Winchester, the Earl of Ouseley, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Sir Edward Grey, M.P., the Knight of Kerry and Lady FitzGerald, the Hon. Mrs. Guy Baring, Lady Hulse, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Higgins.

The Sultan of Zanzibar arrived at Port Said on Friday last by the German East African S.S. "Admiral." The Sultan disembarked and made a number of purchases in the town.

Sir John and Lady Harrington arrived yesterday at Alexandria by the S.S. "Hohenzollern." The Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of the Emperor Menelik, is on his way to Addis Ababa from England, where he was recently married. They went to Cairo by the noon express and are staying at the Semiramis Hotel.

The Countess Antoine de Zogheb, wife of the Danish Diplomatic Agent and Consul General at Cairo, with her two daughters arrived at Alexandria to-day from Europe by the Messageries Maritimes steamer and are leaving for Cairo this afternoon.

We regret to announce the death of Count Sizzo-Noria, a brother of the Count of the same name who resides at Alexandria. Count Edouard Sizzo-Noria, a member of an illustrious Austro-Hungarian family, died at his home, No. 4, St. James's-place, S.W., on Friday week in circumstances which were investigated at the Westminster Coroner's Court on Tuesday last. His death was due to morphia poisoning, but it is understood that some letters which he left behind him throw considerable light upon the fatality. The Count's family hold hereditary estates in the Southern Tyrol. His brother, Count Guiseppe Sizzo-Noria, for three years prior to August last was Austro-Hungarian Vice-Consul in London, and during that period, in the absence of his chief, he frequently acted as Consul-General. On leaving England, he went to Milan as Consul-General. Count Edouard, who was about forty years of age, was a member of the St. James's Club, and during the past few years was a frequent visitor to London. Eleven weeks ago he took up his residence in St. James's-place. The jury at the inquest returned a verdict of suicide during temporary insanity.

Ibrahim Pasha Noguib and Dr. Raffer have returned to Alexandria from Rome, where they attended the International Medical Congress. Ibrahim Pasha Noguib has left for Cairo.

George Bey Rina, Inspector of the Khedivial Mail S.S. and Graving Docks Company Ltd., arrived here yesterday by the S.S. "Isamalia."

Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Newman have left Philae and propose to spend the rest of the season on their dahabiah at Abu Simbel.

Lieutenant M. J. Wheatley, the Dorsetshire Regiment, has been taken on the strength of the Egyptian Army with the rank of Bimbashi, vice El Bimbashi D. H. Y. Bangbongh, deceased. Bimbashi Wheatley is posted to the Sudan Government.

Mr. E. J. Scott has arrived in Cairo, on his return from England.

Mr. William C. Hornblower, Superintendent of the Western Oasis Railway, who has been in Cairo for the past couple of days, has returned to Upper Egypt.

The following passengers left Cairo yesterday for Upper Egypt by Cook's P.S. "Cleopatra":—Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Muller, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Schmidt, Mrs. Carkeet James, Mr. W. Lewin, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Oddie.

GRAND HOTEL HELOUAN.

The following are staying at the Grand Hotel, Helouan:—

Mr. and Mrs. M. de Dobriansky, Miss L. James, Miss K. H. Mackeller, Mr. C. H. C. Byvanok, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Willard Denison, Miss Mellersh, Miss Kelly, Mrs. Vallance Condell, Mr. and Mrs. R. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Fletcher, Sir Harrington and Lady Simeon, Miss Barker, Major and Mrs. J. H. Grant, Misses F. and A. Masah, Mr. David Briskins, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Mack, Mrs. Miss and Master Menka, Frau Dr. Friedrich, Herr F. Schnabel, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Serge Yvritain, Misses A. and P. Monahan, Mrs. Gausson, Mr. W. Leonard May, Mrs. and Master Dundas Orr, Miss M. Smith, Miss Silver, Capt. the Hon. W. Trefus, Hon. Evelyn Trefus, Count Constantine, Herr R. Rosenberg, Mr. and Mrs. M. Stephens, Rev. W. N. B. Cooper, Rev. L. B. Evans, Herr Hans Quandt, Mr. and Mrs. U. Doener, Mr. I. Tohdano, Judge Kraft, Mr. J. Cavaty, Mr. B. F. Gesman, Mrs. I. Harvey, Mr. R. Shorani.

PARIS-HOUSE GENEVA.

Mm. Auberge is exhibiting her models at the Hotel Villa Victoria, Cairo.

TELEGRAMS.

SECRET VATICAN CONSISTORY.

FOUR CARDINALS CREATED.

ROME, December 16.
Pius X held this morning a Secret Consistory in the Vatican, at which he created four new Cardinals.

The 20 Cardinals living in Rome arrived at the Vatican half an hour before the ceremony in the great Hall of the Consistory, and formed a magnificent picture in their red silk robes. Before the Pontiff's arrival they broke into three groups, the Cardinal-Bishops in one, the Cardinal-Priests in another, and the Cardinal-Deacons in the third, according to precedence, and behind them Patriarchs, Archbishops, Bishops, Heads of religious orders, and other high personages. The Pontiff came in quietly on foot, dressed in white, surrounded by his usual entourage and followed by Noble and Swiss Guards.

After the long ceremony of kissing his hand the Master of Ceremonies cleared the hall of every one except the Cardinals. These formalities over, the business of the moment was proceeded with. The Pontiff then delivered a short allocution.

The name of each nominee for Cardinalship and Bishopric was read out, viz., Mgr. Pietro Gasparri, Mgr. De Lai, Mgr. Ludovic Henry Lucan, and Mgr. Paul Pierre Andreu.

Thus ended the Secret Consistory, followed by a series of congratulations and receptions on the part of the new Cardinals. (Reuter)

EXCITEMENT IN PERSIA.

ARREST OF MINISTERS.

TEHRAN, December 16.
There is great political excitement here owing to the Shah having arrested the two ministers who had just resigned. Parliament has protested vehemently. The situation is complex, but apparently the Shah is supported by the reactionary members and is fighting the nationalists.

(Later). The Shah has allowed the arrested premier to proceed to Europe and is now negotiating with Parliament regarding the other arrests. (Reuter)

LONDON, December 16.
The "Times" hopes that the Persians, who have many fine qualities will overcome the present trouble. It expresses regret that the trouble is complicated by the depredations of the Turks. Unless the Sultan is brought to account by the other Powers there does not seem to be any serious obstacle to the prosecution of his schemes and the conquest of the Persian frontier. (Reuter)

DEFEAT OF MOULEY HAFID.

AIN SEFRA OCCUPIED.

TANGIER, December 16.
Mouley Hafid, beaten by the Grogna tribe, has taken refuge at Marakesh.

M. Regnault has embarked for France. (Havas)

MARNIA, December 16.
Our column is occupying Ain Sefra. The Beni Snassens are greatly impressed. (Havas)

ORAN, December 16.
Firing was heard in the direction of Ujda from the French column all yesterday morning. (Reuter)

ORAN, December 16.
The French column yesterday captured the gorges of Ain Sefra after 8 hours fighting. They had 16 wounded. The Beni Snassens tribesmen lost heavily. (Reuter)

TANGIER, December 17.
Mouley Hafid has offered conditional submission to the Sultan. (Reuter)

CROWDED SIBERIAN PRISONS.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 16.
The newspapers state that owing to the crowded condition of the Siberian prisons the Government has been asked to sanction the re-establishments of convict settlements at Sakhalin. (Reuter)

TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN PACIFIC SQUADRON.

REVIEWED BY PRESIDENT.

LONDON, December 16.
The newspapers publish lengthy comments and descriptions of the American squadron due to sail for the Pacific to-day. (Reuter)

NEW YORK, December 16.
Admiral Evans's farewell statement and other indications are regarded here as foreshadowing a visit to the Philippines, where it is believed that half the squadron will remain, the rest returning via Suez. (Reuter)

NEW YORK, December 16.
President Roosevelt, on board the "Mayflower," reviewed the fleet, consisting of 16 battleships with auxiliaries, totalling to 57, prior to its departure for the Pacific. The vessels sailed out headed by the "Mayflower" amid thundering salutes from the forts. The scene was most impressive. (Reuter)

AMERICAN COTTON CROP.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

WASHINGTON, December 17.
House of Representatives. An Alabama member introduced into the House a resolution charging the Secretary of Agriculture with inaccuracy in estimating the cotton crop, and demanding the figures on which the estimate was based. (Reuter)

DISTURBANCE IN THE REICHSRATH.

VIENNA, December 17.
A disturbance has taken place in the Reichsrath produced by the Ruthenians. One of them threw a piece of desk at the President hitting a deputy on the head. A free fight with chairs ensued lasting for half an hour. Many were injured. (Reuter)

AUSTRALIAN TEST MATCH.

SYDNEY, December 16.
Cricket. England 293 runs for 9 wickets. (Reuter)

JAPAN AND KOREA.

TOKYO, December 16.
The Crown Prince of Korea and the Marquis Ito have arrived. The Government is considering the advisability of increasing the Japanese forces in Korea, in view of revolutionary activity. (Reuter)

HARDEN CASE ADJOURNED.

BERLIN, December 16.
The Harden case has been adjourned to Thursday. (Havas)

DINI ZULU IN GOAL.

PIETERMARITZBURG, December 16.
Dini Zulu, with attendants, has arrived here and has been lodged in goal. (Reuter)

CHOLERA AT DJEDDAH.

DJEDDAH, December 16.
A negress has died of cholera here. (Reuter)

Eastern Telegraph Co. Ltd.

AVERAGE TIME occupied in transmission of Egyptian telegrams from England to Alexandria on Monday 16th December, 1907.

OUTWARDS.
Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. (Cairo time)

FROM	MESSAGES HANDLED IN AT	
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certain necessary limits—free discussion.

CAIRO'S HOUSING PROBLEM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE"
Sir,—Mr. Crossland, in his interesting letter which appeared in the "Egyptian Gazette" on the 3rd inst., has, in considering the difficulties which would be met with by the Government in dealing with tenants of different Nationalities apparently overlooked the fact that the same difficulties would occur, and probably in an exaggerated form, if his own scheme for the housing of Government employees were acted upon.

Your correspondent has devoted the first portion of his letter to a vigorous denunciation of the scheme that I ventured to propose, that of the Government taking in hand the question of the housing of its employees, and he has brought forward manifold reasons why this should not be done.

The first argument which he used I have already cited; another is that the town is already crowded with dwellings, and that it would therefore be undesirable to build any more dwelling places therein, while he further states that, the Government not possessing much land in the town, to buy at the present high rates would be out of the question, and he very rightly adds that "a solution of the housing problem must be looked for outside the City itself in the respective suburbs." In speaking of Cairo in my previous letter I had used the word in the broad sense meaning the town and its environs.

Well and good, but then Mr. Crossland proceeds to unfold a truly Utopian scheme, which certainly sounds very well, but it is not calculated to benefit in the slightest degree those employees who stand most in need of assistance, for after affirming that a number of Government employees in or near Cairo are landowners, he proposes the formation of a syndicate which would enable these gentlemen to build themselves residences thereon, and it was certainly not the landowners who were in my mind when I wrote my first letter, but rather those who find it hard to make two ends meet in these days of high rents and living. The scheme itself is good, in as far as it concerns those of the servants of the Government who are fortunate enough to be property holders, but I adhere to my original suggestion that in order to alleviate the hardships of the poorer official, it is necessary for the Government to take the matter in hand and erect dwelling places which could be let at a reasonable rental. Why the Government, should be considered unfit to deal with tenants of different Nationalities I am quite at a loss to understand. It is surely not such an uncommon position for a landlord to be placed in, in Cairo, but apparently Mr. Crossland thinks that the mere fact of its being a Government concern would be likely to breed disorder in the minds of the tenants. This inference is not kind, and surely it is absurd. But as your correspondent apparently missed the point of my letter, that it was the poor and not the rich employees who were in need of assistance, it is possible that he has also lost sight of the fact that it is not an altogether unusual proceeding on the part of an Administration to build dwellings for the servants, and to let the same at fixed rents. Khartoum is one example and there are many others. If Mr. Crossland has any scheme which would be likely to be of benefit to minor officials in Government employ, I, in common with a great number of others, would be delighted to hear it.

Yours Etc.

"Interested"

Cairo, December 12.

CAIRO'S WATER SUPPLY.

AN IMPORTANT QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE"
Sir,—The Egyptian Public, and more particularly that of Cairo is anxiously awaiting the decision of the Government on a very important question, as to water supply. It may be resumed in a few words. Are Cairenes to drink underground water or properly filtered Nile water?

I saw it stated recently in your columns that the international commission appointed "ad hoc" has made its report, which is being translated into French before being published. In the first place I have lost faith in international commissions in this country; the first I knew of was in 1873 and I have known of many since, have read their reports with interest, and have generally found that nothing came of them, except considerable expense to the country.

I will refer to one only. Some 12 or 14 years ago an International Commission sat in Cairo, on the main drainage question, it was composed of gentlemen of the same three nationalities, as the one to which I now refer. They made an elaborate report, but it was generally considered that either of its members could have made a better one, if left to his own devices. And what became of it? Nothing, except the inevitable cost! And "fortunately" nothing came of it, for now it is found to have been all wrong.

Egypt is still a country in which things are done in a different fashion to that which prevails elsewhere; only a few days ago I saw in your paper that the new water works for Khartoum were now complete, but would first be used for street watering, gardens and animals only, and that afterwards steps would be taken to see if the water was fit for human consumption. In all other countries the latter question is generally the first consideration.

In most other countries a water works engineer is employed to draw up a report, and

before doing so, he employs analytical chemists and bacteriologists to enlighten him as to the chemical constituent of the available sources of supply, and it is not until he has put these in line with very many other considerations, and tried them all by the severe ordeal of common sense, that he gives his advice.

It should not be forgotten that highly specialised reports are things to be used with caution, they are like edged tools which are apt to cut the hands of the inexperienced user, and it is no disparagement either to the "man in the street" or the average Government official, if they do not know how to make the best use of them.

The question in point is a much wider one than the water supply of Cairo only, it applies also to the numerous towns in Egypt still without any proper water supply, and it should, and probably will be, decided on much broader grounds than those furnished by a bacteriological chemical report.

We, and we speak as Europeans, who sometimes mix a small quantity of wine and whiskey with the water we drink, are not to be compared, as judges of the taste of water, to the natives who have never drunk anything stronger than water in their lives, and whose dislike of the water now supplied to them for drinking purposes in Cairo is intense, and European women agree that their water will not wash the finer qualities of linen without spoiling them, or make tea reasonably well, we think that you and the public will agree with us that these are considerations, which should weigh very heavily in the decision, even although the chemists should tell us that this is the most perfect water in the world.

In my opinion the report of the Commission should not be published at all, but it should serve as one of many useful guides, to those, who have the very heavy responsibility of deciding this question of such vital importance to the people of this country.

Truly yours,
COMMON SENSE.

Cairo, 14th December.

"TIME IS MONEY."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE."
Sir,—The use of the English language generally carries with it some respect for the above adage, but such does not seem to be the case when it is used by your contemporary "Egyptian Standard."

A few days ago, wanting to relieve the monotony of a railway journey to Port Said, I bought among other papers a copy of the "Egyptian Standard," and turning first to the local news I was surprised at the familiarity of one paragraph after another,—on reflection I found that on previous days I had read these same paragraphs verbatim in your columns. Would you mind asking Mustafa, when he does this again, to put the name of your paper at the bottom of the extracts; so that I and others may know that we need not waste our time in reading them?

In the paper above referred to I found two serious looking articles headed in large type—the first gives the views of a Frenchman on the recent Hague Conference; they are naturally rather melancholy and might verge on the sublime, but for the last paragraph, undoubtedly inspired by Mustafa himself, in which in true mediaeval fashion, he throws down the gauntlet to England and defies her to appear at a new Peace Conference unless she is backed up by an Egyptian Parliament. It is a fine passage, and savours a little of Don Quixote at his best. If my artistic skill only kept pace with my imagination, I should like to send you a cartoon to reproduce the scene; the glove would be very large in proportion to the size of Mustafa, and the British Lion would look at it with a mingled expression of amusement and contempt. If one of your readers, more gifted than I, were to sketch it out, it might be kept until this country develops enough humour to start a "Punch" worth looking at. But this is a digression;—Mustafa need not trouble himself;—after the useless comedy which has just been played out at the Hague, neither England nor any other serious power will want a new Conference for very many years to come.

Not having found much amusement in this article, I turned to the next, headed "Moderation and Logic," two things which seemed so utterly at variance with Mustafa's usual style, that I began to read the article with interest. I was much surprised at the way in which he speaks of his friend Mr. J. M. Robertson M.P. Without writing quite so strongly as St. Paul when he refers to the Laodiceans, Mustafa certainly accuses his friend of a great falling away, he should be careful that he does not play the proverb of the "Dog and the Shadow" in which Mr. Robertson would have the part usually taken by the piece of meat. Mustafa is singularly unfortunate in his reference to increased expenses in connection with the Army of Occupation, which he attributes to the Danish affair; my opinion is that 19 out of every 20 people in this country, think, and rightly think, that the silly writings of Mustafa and Co. have had much more to do with the matter; as I have endeavoured to show, his paper may be amusing; but it is an expensive form of entertainment.

I remain, Sir etc. etc.

VERITAS.

Alexandria, 12th December.

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Banque d'Abyssinie	£	4 1/8	
Banque d'Athènes	£	112	
Banque d'Orient	£	112	
Banque du Caire	£	3 5/16	3/8
" fondateur	£	1 7/8	
Cassa di Sconto antienne	£	45	
Banque d'Esco. et de Reports	£	2 3/8	
" fond.	£	2	
Société Générale Egyptienne	£	195	
" fond.	£	23	
Societes Financieres			
Comptoir Financier & Com.	£	2 1/2	
" fond.	£	1 3/8	
Sedoui Zariffa Nahas	£	2 15/16	3
" fond.	£	3	
Chemins de Fer			
Delta Railway	£	9 3/4	13/16
Lots Tares	£	158	158
Ramleh	£	4 1/2	
Societes des Eaux			
Eaux d'Alexandrie	£	11	
Eaux du Caire capital	£	105	
" jouissance	£	175	176
" de Tanta	£	6	
Navigation à Vapeur			
Anglo-American Nile	£	2 1/4	
Nile Transport	£	—	
Tramways et Omnibus			
Tramways d'Alexandrie	£	141	282
" du Caire	£	—	
Omnibus-Automobiles	£	2 3/16	
" fondateur	£	3 1/2	
Societes Foncières			
Daira Sanieh nouvelle	£	12 13/16	7/8
Credit Foncier Actions	£	693	694
" fond. 1/10	£	705	
" anc. 3% & Lots	£	286	
" nouvelle	£	252	
Bahra	£	20 1/2	
" priv.	£	14 1/4	
Delta Land	£	1 1/4	
Wardan Estate	£	3 1/4	
" fondateur	£	4	
Nile Land	£	8	
Ang.-Egyp. Land Allotments	£	2	2 1/16
" fond. P.T. 46	£	47	
Societes Immobilières			
Egyptian Markets	£	21 1/2	21/3
Cie Immobilière	£	300	
" fondateur	£	430	435
Entreprise Development	£	7 1/4	
" fond.	£	8 3/4	
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United Eg. Land	£	—	1/4
" fondateur	£	—	7/8
Ritz Hotels	£	—	1/4
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" fond. P.T. 17	£	—	1/16
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" fondateur	£	—	3/16
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THE PROOF OF MERIT.

16 St. Dunstan's Road, "The Fosse," Leicester.

Dear Sirs,—Before taking "Wincarnis" as a tonic I had been for many months completely "run-down," and consequently very depressed, debilitated and low-spirited. After taking "Wincarnis" I began to improve. After three bottles I felt better, and my friends remarked how much brighter I appeared. I feel quite cheerful now, and thanks to "Wincarnis," have had no return of the dreaded periods of depression.—Yours faithfully, BELLA WARD.

AFTER AN ATTACK OF INFLUENZA.

13 Stephenson St., Canning Town, E.

Dear Sirs,—A few months ago, after a severe attack of "Influenza," I felt very weak and exhausted. I was advised to try "Wincarnis," purchased a large bottle, and found on taking it that it pulled me round remarkably well. I shall always recommend your Wine Tonic to all my friends.—Yours truly, EMILY GREEN.

A REMEDY FOR BRAIN STRAIN.

59 Cantelup Road, East Grinstead.

Dear Sirs,—After testing the free sample of "Wincarnis" which I sent for, I purchased three bottles and found it answered the purpose for which I bought them. Being a journalist my work is a great strain on the brain, but at a nerve-bracing tonic, when I feel "run down," I find your "Wincarnis" does its invigorating work most admirably.—Yours faithfully, W. PRESTON.